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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Meeting

As foreshadowed in the May Bulletin and subsequently announced in *School and Society* and the *Nation*, the Annual Meeting of the Association will be held at New York City, Friday and Saturday, December 29 and 30, in connection with the meetings of Convocation Week. It would certainly not have been the choice of the Council, other things being equal, to hold a third consecutive meeting on the Atlantic seaboard. On studying the question, however, it appeared that Convocation Week this year was to be the first of a series of quadrennial meetings uniting a very large number of academic societies. So far as could be learned, in fact, the only large groups meeting elsewhere than New York were the American Economic Association, etc., at Columbus and the American Historical Association at Cincinnati. Under these circumstances, nineteen of the thirty-four members of the Council voted for New York as first choice, and the Executive Committee, after canvassing the sentiment of local chapters in the middle west, reached the same decision by a vote of six of the seven members. It is the expectation of the officers that systematic plans for the location of future meetings may be worked out by a committee appointed for that purpose and that the meetings of 1917 and (probably) 1918 may be held at interior cities.

Preliminary Program of Annual Meeting

Thursday, December 28

Afternoon and evening. Council and Committee meetings.

Friday, December 29

9.00 A.M. Registration.

10.00 A.M.–12.00 M. *First Session.*

Reports of Officers.

Report of Committee E on *Qualifications for Membership.*

General Business.

12.00 M.–2.00 P.M. Informal Reception and Luncheon.
2.00 P.M.–5.00 P.M. *Second Session.*
Reports of Committees F, on *Local Chapters* and N, on a *Handbook of American Colleges and Universities.*
Report of *Nominating Committee* and *Election of Officers.*
7.00 P.M. *Annual Dinner.*

Saturday, December 30

10.00 A.M.–12.00 M. *Third Session.*
Reports of Committees A, on *Academic Freedom,* J, on *Scientific Bureaus at Washington* (Federal University) and P, on *Pensions and Insurance.*
Reports from other committees.
1.00–2.00 P.M. Luncheon.
2.00–4.00 P.M. *Final Session.*
Report of Committee on *Resolutions.*
Amendments of Constitution and By-Laws.
Election of New Members.
4.00 P.M. Meeting of the *New Council.*

A detailed program will be published in the November BULLETIN. Reports to be presented for action by the Association are also to be published in the November BULLETIN.

The Council will be asked to nominate five of its members to act as a committee on resolutions during the meeting.

It is the hope of the officers that arrangements for the two luncheons and the annual dinner, as well as for registration badges, will be such as to afford ample opportunity for promoting personal acquaintance among the members of the Association.

Attention is called to the fact that under Article IX of the Constitution "written notice of any proposed amendment shall be sent to the Secretary by five members of the Association not later than two months before the annual meeting."

A proposition now before the Council provides that:

"Resolutions submitted by individual members for action at any Annual Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary for publication, at least one month in advance of such meeting.

"Resolutions not so submitted shall be acted upon at the same meeting at which presented only by unanimous consent, and after report thereon by the Executive Committee."

This is printed at once in order that, in case it is adopted, members may have had as much notification as possible.

LOCAL CHAPTERS

Since the issue of the May BULLETIN, the following local chapters have been reported:

University of Colorado, M. F. Libby, Chairman;
University of North Dakota, A. J. Becker, Chairman;
University of Washington, E. S. Meaney, Chairman.

The following letter has been sent to chairmen of local chapters under date, September 23.

"I am asked by President Wigmore to inform you that, upon publication of the report of the Committee on Membership in the October BULLETIN, all applications heretofore withheld on account of uncertainty of the rules are to be forwarded to me, and that Chairmen of Chapters are invited to go over the lists of faculty members in each institution, with a view to presenting applications from persons whom they deem to be desirable as members. Such applications should, if practicable, reach me not later than December first for inclusion in the December BULLETIN and election at the annual meeting.

H. W. TYLER, *Secretary*."

NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following eighty-six applications are printed under the rules adopted by the Council in May. Under these rules, any candidate or nominee against whom no negative vote is received from a member of the Council within thirty days of publication is deemed to have been approved by the Council. The names of the nominators follow the name of each candidate, in parenthesis. Nominators for whom no institution is specified are colleagues of the nominee.

Maxwell Adams (Chem.), Nevada,
(E. C. Franklin, Stanford, J. M. Stillman, Stanford, R. E. Swain, Stanford)

Bennet M. Allen (Zoöl.), Kansas,
(A. T. Walker, F. B. Dains, E. H. Hollands)

William Henry Allison (Eccl. Hist.), Colgate,
(G. R. Berry, W. H. Crawshaw, A. P. Brigham)

Charles H. Ashton (Math.), Kansas,
(A. T. Walker, E. H. Hollands, A. J. Boynton)

James D. Barnett (Pol. Sci.), Oregon,
(R. T. Ely, Wisconsin, C. L. Jones, Wisconsin, L. W. Cole, Colorado)

Harris M. Benedict (Botany), Cincinnati,
(L. T. More, F. C. Hicks, G. A. Tawney)

Charles Henry Benjamin (Mech. Eng.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

George H. Blakeslee (Hist.), Clark,
(L. S. Rowe, Pennsylvania, A. G. Webster, Clark, E. R. Johnson, Pennsylvania)

Frank C. Brown (English), Trinity (N. C.),
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins, J. W. Bright, Johns Hopkins)

Philip Marshall Brown (Int. Law), Princeton,
(H. C. Warren, Princeton, Edward Capps, Princeton, L. S. Rowe, Pennsylvania)

Harry Edwin Burton (Latin), Dartmouth,
(H. D. Foster, R. W. Husband, J. M. Poor)

Stephen Hayes Bush (Rom. Lang.), Iowa (Univ.),
(B. Wilson, C. F. Ansley, H. G. Plum)

H. D. Campbell (Geol.), Washington and Lee,
(A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins, E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins)

Mitchell Carroll (Archaeology), George Washington,
(Morris Jastrow, Pennsylvania, A. T. Clay, Yale, F. W. Kelsey, Michigan)

Wayland Morgan Chester (Biol.), Colgate,
(C. D. Child, W. H. Crawshaw, G. R. Berry)

George E. Coghill (Anat.), Kansas,
(R. M. Ogden, A. T. Walker, E. H. Hollands)

Norman F. Coleman (English), Reed,
(H. B. Torrey, Reed, C. G. Haines, Texas, A. H. R. Fairchild, Missouri)

W. F. Coover (Chem.), Iowa (State College),
(L. H. Pammel, Iowa State College, H. P. Talbot, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Alberta L. Corbin (German), Kansas,
(H. C. Thurnau, E. Galloo, E. M. Hopkins)

C. C. Crawford (Hist.), Kansas,
(A. T. Walker, E. H. Hollands, D. L. Patterson)

J. P. Wickersham Crawford (Rom. Lang.), Pennsylvania,
(F. E. Schelling, R. G. Kent, A. H. Quinn)

Mary Gertrude Cushing (Rom. Lang.), Mount Holyoke,
(Mary V. Young, Mt. Holyoke, H. A. Todd, Columbia, N. G. McCrea, Columbia)

Edward Hatton Davis (Econom.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

D. B. Easter (Rom. Lang.), Washington and Lee,
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins, A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins)

Lucile Eaves (Sociol.), Simmons,
(Marion Talbot, Chicago, S. P. Breckinridge, Chicago, G. E. Howard, Nebraska)

Ellen Deborah Ellis (Hist.), Mount Holyoke,
(Helen M. Searles, Mount Holyoke, L. M. Keasbey, Texas, G. A. Barton, Bryn Mawr)

Carl L. von Ende (Chem.), Idaho,
(C. N. Little, Idaho, G. N. Lewis, California, H. G. Plum, Iowa)

Percy Norton Evans (Chem.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

Bernard Capen Ewer (Psychol.), Pomona,
(N. F. Davis, Brown, J. Q. Dealey, Brown, E. B. Delabarre, Brown)

John Theodore Faig (Mech. Eng.), Cincinnati,
(Herman Schneider, F. C. Hicks, H. McE. Knower)

E. E. Faris (Philos.), Iowa (Univ.),
(C. F. Ansley, H. G. Plum, C. E. Seashore)

Martin Luther Fisher (Agron.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

A. C. Flick (Hist.), Syracuse,
(L. S. Rowe, Pennsylvania, E. R. Johnson, Pennsylvania, H. A. Eaton, Syracuse)

Ferdinand Courtney French (Philos.), Colgate,
(W. H. Crawshaw, C. D. Child, G. R. Berry)

Harry Shipley Fry (Chem.), Cincinnati,
(L. T. More, L. W. Jones, F. W. Chandler)

Norman Everett Gilbert (Physics), Dartmouth,
(H. D. Foster, G. F. Hull, C. A. Proctor)

Wm. H. Glasson (Econom.), Trinity (N. C.),
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins)

John Francis Greene (Hist.), Brown,
(F. G. Allinson, N. F. Davis, J. Q. Dealey)

Lawrence E. Griffin (Zoöl.), Pittsburgh,
(A. Silverman, B. L. Ullman, J. F. L. Raschen)

G. D. Hancock (Econom.), Washington and Lee,
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins, A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins)

Harris Hancock (Math.), Cincinnati,
(L. T. More, J. M. Burnam, F. C. Hicks)

Albert Granger Harkness (Latin), Brown,
(F. G. Allinson, N. F. Davis, J. Q. Dealey)

Sophie Chantal Hart (English), Wellesley,
(Laura E. Lockwood, Wellesley, A. O. Norton, Wellesley, Katharine L. Bates, Wellesley)

Grace Raymond Hebard (Econom.), Wyoming,
(G. E. Howard, Nebraska, H. W. Caldwell, Nebraska, H. K. Wolfe, Nebraska)

John Heiss (German), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

Archibald Henderson (Math.), North Carolina,
(W. deB. MacNider, Collier Cobb, Edwin Greenlaw)

Mary Elizabeth Holmes (Chem.), Mount Holyoke,
(Mary V. Young, Mount Holyoke, A. J. Hopkins, Amherst, H. V. Ames, Pennsylvania)

George M. Howe (German), Colorado (College),
(Florian Cajori, E. S. Parsons, E. C. Hills)

J. L. Howe (Chem.), Washington and Lee,
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins, A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins)

Manley O. Hudson (Law), Missouri,
(E. R. James, Isidor Loeb, W. W. Charters)

William J. Hussey (Astron.), Michigan,
(E. C. Case, Jacob Reighard, E. H. Kraus)

Wm. Hamilton Johnson (Educ.), Kansas,
(A. T. Walker, F. B. Dains, E. H. Hollands)

William Savage Johnson (English), Kansas,
(E. M. Hopkins, A. T. Walker, E. H. Hollands)

Albert Galloway Keller (Sociol.), Yale,
(T. D. Goodell, Yale, W. L. Cross, Yale, H. E. Hawkes, Columbia)

E. F. Langley (French), Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
(H. G. Pearson, E. B. Wilson, H. W. Tyler)

Margaret Lynn (English), Kansas,
(E. M. Hopkins, E. Galloo, H. C. Thurnau)

Lucius Polk McGehee (Law), North Carolina,
(W. deB. MacNider, G. Howe, A. S. Wheeler)

Atwell Campbell McIntosh (Law), North Carolina
(George Howe, J. G. deR. Hamilton, Edwin Greenlaw)

Anna Jane McKeag (Educ.). Wellesley,
(Laura E. Lockwood, Arthur O. Norton, Caroline B. Thompson)

Margaret E. Maltby (Physics), Columbia,
(Harold Jacoby, G. V. Wendell, G. B. Pegram)

Ernest Carroll Moore (Educ.), Harvard,
(J. H. Wigmore, Northwestern, P. H. Hanus, Harvard, H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Wm. Conger Morgan (Chem.), Reed,
(H. B. Torrey, Reed, W. C. Bray, California, G. N. Lewis, California)

George Thomas White Patrick (Philos.), Iowa (Univ.),
(C. F. Ansley, H. G. Plum, C. E. Seashore)

Charles W. Peppler (Greek), Trinity (N. C.),
(E. C. Armstrong, Johns Hopkins, C. C. Marden, Johns Hopkins, J. W. Bright, Johns Hopkins)

Warren M. Persons (Econom.), Colorado (College),
(Florian Cajori, E. S. Parsons, E. C. Hills)

Max Poll (German), Cincinnati,
(F. C. Hicks, Herman Schneider, H. McE. Knower)

Otis Everett Randall (Mechanics), Brown,
(N. F. Davis, J. Q. Dealey, H. P. Manning)

James Harvey Ransom (Chem.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

Kelley Rees (Classics), Reed,
(H. B. Torrey, Reed, R. G. Harrison, Yale, G. L. Hendrickson, Yale)

Eleanor Rowland (Psychol.), Reed,
(H. B. Torrey, Reed, Ellen B. Talbot, Mount Holyoke, Helen M. Searles, Mount Holyoke)

Alphonse De Salvio (Rom. Lang.), Northwestern,
(J. H. Wigmore, G. P. Costigan, Jr., Henry Crew)

Elise Neuen Schwander (Rom. Lang.), Kansas,
(E. Galloo, E. M. Hopkins, H. C. Thurnau)

Louis E. Sisson (English), Kansas,
(E. M. Hopkins, A. T. Walker, E. H. Hollands)

Sarah Effie Smith (Math.), Mount Holyoke,
(H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. E. Smith, Columbia, Anne S. Young, Mount Holyoke)

Henry Morse Stephens (Hist.), California,
(C. M. Gayley, H. E. Bolton, L. J. Richardson)

W. C. Stevens (Botany), Kansas,
(R. D. O'Leary, A. J. Boynton, Carl Becker)

Glen Levin Swiggett (Rom. Lang.), Tennessee,
(L. S. Rowe, Pennsylvania, E. R. Johnson, Pennsylvania, Morris Jastrow, Pennsylvania)

Walter D. Toy (German), North Carolina,
(George Howe, J. G. deR. Hamilton, Edwin Greenlaw)

James Troop (Entomol.), Purdue,
(J. C. Arthur, Purdue, E. S. Ferry, Purdue, J. M. Coulter, Chicago)

George Wallace Umphrey (Spanish), Washington (State),
(J. A. Smith, A. S. Haggett, David Thomson)

Gregory Dexter Walcott (Philos.), Hamline,
(W. B. Jacobs, Brown, J. Q. Dealey, Brown, N. F. Davis, Brown)

Elton D. Walker (Civil Eng.), Pennsylvania (State College),
(D. C. Jackson, Mass. Inst. of Tech., W. H. Walker, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Harry Lewis Wieman (Zool.), Cincinnati,
(H. McE. Knower, J. M. Burnam, F. C. Hicks)

A. M. Wilson (Elec. Eng.), Cincinnati,
(Herman Schneider, F. C. Hicks, G. A. Tawney)

Edmund B. Wilson (Zool.), Columbia,
(John Dewey, Columbia, F. J. E. Woodbridge, Columbia, A. O. Lovejoy, Johns Hopkins)

Homer E. Woodbridge (English), Colorado (College),
(Florian Cajori, E. C. Hills, E. S. Parsons)

The following thirty-two applications have been previously approved by the Council:

C. E. Allen (Botany), Wisconsin,
(J. B. Overton, A. R. Hohlfeld, F. C. Sharp)

S. J. M. Allen (Physics), Cincinnati,
(Herman Schneider, F. C. Hicks, L. T. More)

Frank Aydelotte (English), Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
(H. P. Talbot, A. A. Noyes, H. W. Tyler)

Charles Sears Baldwin (English), Columbia,
(C. J. Keyser, R. Weeks, John Dewey)

Hiram Bingham (Hist.), Yale,
(J. H. Wigmore, Northwestern, M. Farrand, Yale, E. W. Brown, Yale)

G. W. Bissell (Mech. Eng.), Michigan (Agricultural College),
(W. H. Walker, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. C. Jackson, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Edgar Ewing Brandon (Rom. Lang.), Miami,
(J. H. Wigmore, Northwestern, E. P. Baillot, Northwestern, L. S. Rowe, Pennsylvania)

Archibald Cary Coolidge (Hist.), Harvard,
(J. H. Wigmore, Northwestern, C. H. Haskins, Harvard, F. N. Robinson, Harvard)

Robert Harvey Gault (Psychol.), Northwestern,
(J. H. Wigmore, H. Schofield, T. F. Holgate)

W. F. Giese (Rom. Lang.), Wisconsin,
(H. A. Smith, A. R. Hohlfeld, F. C. Sharp)

Benjamin H. Hibbard (Agr. Econom.), Wisconsin,
(R. T. Ely, A. R. Hohlfeld, J. R. Commons)

Gertrude Hirst (Philol.), Columbia,
(La Rue Van Hook, E. D. Perry, C. H. Young)

William E. Hocking (Philos.), Harvard,
(R. B. Perry, C. H. Moore, C. J. Bullock)

Elbridge Churchill Jacobs (Chem.), Vermont,
(H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech, C. W. Doten, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. R. Dewey, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

D. A. McCabe (Econom.), Princeton,
(Edwards Capps, D. C. Munro, F. A. Fetter)

Percy Alvin Martin (Hist.), Stanford,
(G. H. Marx, J. C. L. Fish, J. S. P. Tatlock)

A. H. Morton (Religion), Williams,
(James B. Pratt, G. E. Howes, S. F. Clarke,)

Arthur Beckwith Myrick (Rom. Lang.), Vermont,
(C. W. Doten, Mass. Inst. of Tech., C. H. Grandgent, Harvard, J. D. M. Ford, Harvard)

Ida H. Ogilvie (Geol.), Columbia,
(A. W. Grabau, La Rue Van Hook, Harold Jacoby)

L. M. Passano (Math.), Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
(A. A. Noyes, H. P. Talbot, H. W. Tyler)

W. Z. Ripley (Econom.), Harvard,
(H. P. Talbot, Mass. Inst. of Tech., A. A. Noyes, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Edward Robinson (Mech. Eng.), Vermont,
(C. W. Doten, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. R. Dewey, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Frederick Hollister Safford (Math.), Pennsylvania,
(R. G. Kent, J. C. Rolfe, W. B. McDaniel)

Vida Dutton Scudder (English), Wellesley,
(Laura E. Lockwood, Sarah F. Whiting, A. O. Norton)

Henry L. Seaver (English), Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
(H. P. Talbot, A. A. Noyes, H. W. Tyler)

Samuel Swayze Seward, Jr. (English), Stanford,
(G. H. Marx, J. C. L. Fish, J. S. P. Tatlock)

Allison W. Slocum (Physics), Vermont,
(C. W. Doten, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. R. Dewey, Mass. Inst. of Tech., H. W. Tyler, Mass. Inst. of Tech.)

Ernest E. Southard (Medicine), Harvard,
(R. B. Perry, C. H. Moore, C. J. Bullock)

Harlan F. Stone (Law), Columbia,
(John Dewey, Columbia, F. J. E. Woodbridge, Columbia, J. H. Wigmore, Northwestern)

Walter Sheldon Tower (Geog.), Chicago,
(C. L. Jones, Wisconsin, Joseph Jastrow, Wisconsin, C. K. Leith, Wisconsin)

Frederick Tupper (English), Vermont,
(C. W. Doten, Mass. Inst. of Tech., D. R. Dewey, Mass. Inst. of Tech., G. L. Kittredge, Harvard)

Frank Vogel (Modern Lang.), Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
(W. T. Sedgwick, E. B. Wilson, H. W. Tyler)

The following three names are to be added to the list of charter members. These men were among those originally invited to become charter members of the Association but for valid reasons failed to signify their intentions within the stated time limit.

Thos. E. French, Ohio State,
S. B. Harding, Indiana,
George Dana Lord, Dartmouth.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE E ON QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

To the President and Members of the American Association of University Professors:

The Committee on Qualifications for Membership reports as follows:

In the April 1916 issue of the BULLETIN (Vol. II, No. 2) the President of the Association outlined the work of this Committee. All of the subjects there enumerated have been considered by the Committee, and our conclusions and recommendations are herein set forth.

1. How shall the words "University or college, or professional school of similar grade," in Art. II, Par. 1, of the Constitution, be interpreted?

It is the unanimous opinion of the Committee that a person worthy of membership will occasionally be found in an institution of questionable standing. In order that such a person may not be excluded, we recommend that the words quoted be held to include all educational institutions which require fourteen units for entrance.

2. Are non-teaching librarians and laboratory workers eligible to membership?

Art. II, Par. 1, of the Constitution, makes it clear that only persons engaged in teaching or research are eligible. It follows in the judgment of a decisive majority of the Committee, that a non-teaching librarian or laboratory worker is not eligible unless he is engaged in work that may fairly be called research. Of course, librarians and laboratory workers who are engaged in neither teaching nor research might be made eligible by constitutional amendment, but we do not recommend such an amendment.

3. Are scientists serving in government bureaus or in institutions independent of a university or college eligible?

Since the Constitution, in both Art. I and II, states that the Association is an organization of teachers and investigators "in universities and colleges and in professional schools," it is clear that service by scientific research in bureaus or institutions independent of a university, college or professional school, does not qualify for membership. It has been suggested, however, that it might be advisable to so amend the Constitution as to permit the election of scientists on the staffs of such institutions as the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey and the Rockefeller Foundation for Medical Research. There are at least two objections to such an amendment: 1st—Such scientists are not likely to be vitally interested in the problems and work of the Association. 2d—If the doors are opened to such scientists, it will be extremely difficult to decide just where to draw the line. A very large number of scientists and investigators are employed by state and municipal boards and bureaus and by industrial organizations, and if all of them were eligible the peculiar character of our Association as an organization of university teachers would be lost. The Committee, for the present at least, is almost unanimously opposed to the suggested amendment.

4. Are persons who give purely technical instruction, as in instrumental music or manual training, in a university, college or professional school, eligible?

Such persons are unquestionably teachers, and if they meet the additional requirement of "recognized scholarship or scientific productivity" they are, in the judgment of the Committee, clearly eligible.

5. In the application of Art. II, Par. 2, of the Constitution, how shall the words "principal occupation" be interpreted?

Although one or two other tests have been suggested, the Committee is almost unanimous in the approval of the following interpretation: To be eligible, a person must devote more than half of his working time to teaching or research.

6. Must a person have been *principally* engaged in teaching or research *for ten years* in order to be eligible?

In our judgment this question must be answered in the negative. The Constitution requires only that he shall have been engaged in teaching or research for ten years and that *at the time of his election to membership* his principal occupation is that of education or research. It follows that a person who for ten years devotes only a minor part of his time to teaching, but who then makes it his principal occupation, is eligible.

7. Shall the Constitutional clause requiring "recognized scholarship or scientific productivity" be interpreted as satisfied by the indorsement of worthiness implied in the recommendation of three colleagues, or as requiring specific proof of the applicant's attainments and a selective scrutiny thereof?

While believing in a reasonably liberal membership policy we are unwilling to recommend that the requirement of "recognized scholarship" be regarded as satisfied in every case by the indorsement of three colleagues. This would mean the practical abandonment of the requirement. On the other hand, we recognize the extreme difficulty, if not impracticability, of thoroughly investigating and fairly passing upon the scholarship of every applicant. We recommend, therefore, that for the present, ten years' service in any institution on the list of approved universities and colleges adopted by the Association of American Universities (119 institutions: see Journal of 15th Annual Conference of the Association), together with the recommendation of three colleagues, shall raise a presumption of recognized scholarship. This would leave comparatively few cases in which specific proof of the applicant's attainments would be required.

8. Should Art. IV of the Constitution, which now permits election of new members at the annual meeting only, be so amended as to permit election during the year?

It is customary in organizations of this kind to have a standing committee on membership whose sole duty is to pass upon the eligibility of applicants for admission. Such a

committee soon becomes familiar with the rules of the association and with the conditions governing various classes of cases, and is more likely to act consistently and fairly than is the organization as a whole. We believe that this Association should have such a committee, and in order to provide for its appointment and at the same time to insure to all members of the Association a reasonable opportunity to oppose the election of applicants, we hereby propose the following amendment to the Constitution:

Strike out all of Art. IV and substitute for it the following:

ARTICLE IV.—ELECTION OF MEMBERS

1. There shall be a Committee on Admissions, the number and mode of appointment of which shall be determined by the Council.

2. Nominations for membership may be made to the Secretary of the Association by any three members of the Association. If the nominee is a member of an institution in which there is a local chapter the nomination must have the approval of such chapter.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to publish every nomination in the next following issue of the BULLETIN of the Association, and to transmit it to the Committee on Admissions.

4. All persons receiving the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members of the Committee on Admissions shall become members of the Association upon payment of the annual dues No nomination shall be voted on, however, within sixty days after its publication in the BULLETIN.

9. Should the Constitution be so amended as to provide for a junior membership?

On this question the Committee is divided, although a majority appear to favor some sort of junior membership. We recommend that no action be taken at the present time, and that the matter receive the further consideration of the Committee.

10. The Committee has also failed to agree upon President Wigmore's proposal that the words "scientific produc-

tivity" should be stricken out of Art. II of the Constitution, and we make no recommendation on that point.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE BASCOM,	E. C. FRANKLIN,
R. C. BROOKS,	C. M. GAYLEY,
MARY WHITON CALKINS,	A. R. HOHLFELD,
EDWARD CAPPS,	J. B. JOHNSTON,
A. P. CARMAN,	GUIDO H. MARX,
J. Q. DEALEY,	WALTER MILLER,
J. V. DENNEY,	FREDERIC C. WOODWARD, *Chairman.*

NOTE.—No member of the Committee has expressed an unwillingness to sign the report. Those whose names are not appended have not been heard from.

FREDERIC C. WOODWARD,
Chairman.

On the basis of the above report the President of the Association issues the following open letter:

To Members of the Association:

The Report of the Committee on Membership, published in this number of the BULLETIN, now makes it possible to proceed with some confidence to the nomination of new members for election to the Association. We may assume (for that purpose) that in substance the provisions of the Committee's Report will be adopted at the Annual Meeting. It is therefore desirable that *all proposals for new membership be taken in hand immediately.* The following method is suggested, pursuant to the rules proposed by the Committee:

Let each member in each institution propose the names of desired colleagues to the Chairman of the Chapter, where there is a Chairman. Let the Chairmen of the Chapters prepare nomination cards with the three endorsers and with the full data concerning the proposed members, and *mail these cards so as to reach the Secretary of the Association by November 10.* If the nomination cards are found to be in proper form, the names of the nominees can then be published in the November

BULLETIN. At Institutions where no Local Chapter exists, or where the Chapter consists of a group of institutions, there will, of course, be no necessity for submitting names to the Chairman of a Chapter. The Secretary of the Association should then be notified of the number of nomination cards wanted, and when these are filled out with the proper data they should be returned to the Secretary of the Association, not later than November 10.

I recommend earnestly that each member of the Association undertake to bring into the Association every colleague who would make a worthy member. Whether there are one thousand or five thousand more persons who are eligible and desirable members of this Association, the time for them to enter, if they are going to enter at all, is *now*. I, therefore, *urge that every member make it a duty to act upon this principle* during the next thirty days.

Yours very truly,

JOHN H. WIGMORE,
President.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Memorandum of the Work of Committee P on Pensions and Insurance

The Committee on Pensions and Insurance, after some correspondence during the summer, held a meeting on Saturday, September 23; the Eastern members met at Columbia University, New York City, and the Western members (seven in number) met at the University Club, Chicago. The meetings of the two sections lasted all day. Each section reached certain conclusions unanimously, which are now in the hands of Chairman Stone for the drafting of a report. This report will be finally adopted by the Committee by November 1, and a copy of it will be furnished to each member of the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching before its annual meeting in November. At that meeting, President Pritchett is expected to allow representatives of the Committee to be heard in presenting its report.

The present stage of deliberations obviously makes it inappropriate to publish any account of the tenor of the conclusions reached by the two sections of the Committee. It may be said, however, that a large amount of study has been given to the subject by the several members of the Committee, representing various departments of expert opinion, and that the report when made is certain to be entitled to the greatest weight.

Extracts from Letter by President to Chairman of Committees

One way of proceeding, not uncommon, but generally misguided, is for the Chairman to draft a report and then send it around for the signatures of the others; usually also this method is used tardily; just before the time for the Annual Meeting. It is an easy way. But the product is *not* a Committee report, and should not command the confidence of the body to whom it is offered.

The reason of existence for a Committee is that its varied membership probably represents all the main varieties of experience and bias in the body at large; that therefore an exchange of their views will insure all possible views being considered; and thus that the result finally agreed upon by such a Committee will be a result which the entire body of the Association can and will accept as the reflection of its own net opinion. Hence (1) a Committee must be widely representative; *e.g.*, with us, it must represent different departments, different institutions, and different regions; (2) *it must lay all its individual views on the table for comparison,* before it attempts to formulate its own conclusions. This is why the method of initial draft by a Chairman is fatal to the very idea of a Committee.

Every Committee report should end with specific practical proposals. Look at the recent report of our Committee on Academic Freedom; it is a model in this respect.

Our members do not travel a thousand miles or so merely to talk or to listen to general views; they could read or publish such utterances just as well in the BULLETIN. They come there to *vote,* to settle issues,—to place the Association on record, on one side or the other, of some definable and definite principle or measure.

The Committee presents the issue in the form of votable proposals; the Association then reveals by votes its position pro or contra those proposals. Then the country knows where we stand; for our professional opinion has been definitely formulated.

I close by pointing out that a Committee report which is to be of any use for an annual meeting *must* be in the Secretary's hands in final shape by *November 15,* for publication in the December BULLETIN. No report not so published can be acted on or debated at the Annual Meeting; our members must have had a chance to peruse it and reflect upon it before hand.

J. H. WIGMORE,
President.

CIRCULATION OF BULLETIN

The present mailing list includes:			
Active Members	1,340		
Honorary	11		
Nominated for Membership	63		
Other Subscribers	8		
			1,422
Societies and Associations		29	
Periodicals and Newspapers		26	
Public Libraries		22	
University and College Libraries		119	
University and Other Clubs		50	
Miscellaneous		8	
		254	
Reserve		324	
			578
Total Edition			2,000

FINANCIAL

The following statement shows the present financial condition of the association.

STATEMENT—JAN. 1 TO OCT. 1, 1916

Total Assets (including outstanding dues)	
Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1	$397.29
1915 dues	50.00
1916 dues (1,340 members)	2,680.00
Receipts from sale of BULLETIN	75.58
	$3,202.87

Total Disbursements to Oct. 1.		*Estimated for the year*
1915 bills paid after Jan. 1, 1916	$244.40	.....
Academic Freedom Reports (general and special)	630.42	$500.00
BULLETIN (3 issues Vol. II)	497.70	700.00*
Secretary's office	291.32	250.00
Assistant Secretary	270.80	500.00
Secretary's traveling expense	75.51	200.00
President's office	105.08	75.00
Treasurer's office	64.54	75.00
Executive Committee	7.30	.....
Academic Freedom Committee	105.47	200.00
Other Committees	20.55	500.00
Annual Meeting 1916	.....	100.00
		$3,100.00
	$2,313.09	
Balance (including outstanding dues)	889.78	
	$3,202.87	

*For eight issues.